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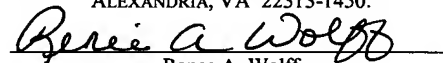
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Dear Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action, mailed June 1, 2004, regarding the above-mentioned patent Application.

Please cancel claims 10, 11, and 15-22 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein and as shown below: